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PROGRAM

TYPE OF ASSISTANCE

CONDITIONS

HOW TO APPLY

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS

Ontario Farm-Start

Provides declining flat rate grants over a seven-year period. The total amount of the grants are: Year 1 - \$11,000, Year 2 - \$9,000, Year 3 - \$7,000, Year 4 - \$5,000, Year 5 - \$3,000, Year 6 - \$2,000, and Year 7 - \$1,000. Applicants may register for an establishment period of up to three years, during which retention of beginning farmer status is assured. Annual grant is reduced by \$.05 for every \$1.00 that networth exceeds \$300,000.

Applicants must: (a) be Canadian citizens or permanent residents and have resided in Ontario at least 5 years; (b) have never owned a viable farm or spent the majority of time or earned the majority of income farming assets over which they have had control through lease, rental, ownership, etc.; (c) have equity in farm assets between 10 and 75% upon establishing the farm operation; (d) possess experience and education sufficient to demonstrate competence as farm managers; (e) operate a farm business that on an accrual basis will contribute \$8,000 to family living costs or a minimum of \$5,500 if residence is on farm property; and (f) establish an independent business; ie. the applicant may not enter into business with an established operator nor may they have a sustained business relationship with an established operator who is not at arm's length. The exception to this criterion is where the established farmer is the applicant's parent.

Application must be made through the local OMAF office. Termination date December 31, 1992, or when funds have been committed, whichever comes first.

Ontario Family Farm Interest Rate Reduction Program (OFFIRR) Plus Grant to reduce interest to 8% on up to \$360,000 of short, intermediate and long-term farm debt. Benefits will be reduced to a 40% level in the 1988-89 program year.

Applicants must: (a) be Ontario residents for at least 6 months annually and personally operate a farm in Ontario, which under normal circumstances, can provide a family living; (b) have an equity of not more than 75%, and not less than 10%; (c) have a net worth of less than \$1,110,000.

Individuals are required to apply each year to receive benefits over the program period. Applications are available from local OMAF offices or from the Farm Assistance Programs Branch, 801 Bay St., 10th Floor, Toronto M7A 2B2, Phone: (416) 326-3700 (collect calls will be accepted). Applications will be accepted from September 1st to May 18th for each of the program years. The last date for submission of applications is May 18, 1989.

PROGRAM	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	CONDITIONS	Application forms are available from local banks or OMAF offices. Together with the bank manager, submit an application and supporting documentation.		
Operating Loan Guarantee Program	Guarantee of operating credit for a period not to exceed 12 months. Interest on the loan not to exceed prime plus 1%.	Applicants must: (a) have equity of between 10 and 60%; (b) have a value added (agricultural products) greater than \$12,000; (c) submit a farm plan which demonstrates financial viability.			
Ontario Young Farmer Credit Program	Intermediate term credit for young farmers between 18 and 35 years of age, through provincially guaranteed loans from chartered banks and designated credit unions for terms up to 10 years at a rate of interest not exceeding prime plus 1%.	Applicants must have sufficient experience and ability to competently conduct a farming operation. A production plan for the farm is submitted with the application. The amount, terms and repayment schedule of each loan will be determined in consultation with local OMAF staff, based on the repayment capacity of the borrower. Loans are made at the discretion of the lender.	Information and application forms are available through local OMAF offices or Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Farm Assistance Programs Branch, Legislative Buildings, Toronto M7A 2B2; Phone: (416) 326-3452.		
Tobacco Assistance Program Part 1 — Acreage Reduction	Acreage Reduction — Acreage reduction payments and supplementary acreage payments (maximum \$150,000 per applicant) for farmers who leave the tobacco industry.	Acreage Reduction — Applicants must: (a) agree to dispose of all of their basic production quota; and (b) agree not to purchase quota or grow tobacco for the following five years. Farmers who disposed of part or all of their quota between February 1986 and April 1987 may be eligible for assistance.	Applications and program information are available from the Program Administrator, Ontario Flue-Cured Tobacco Growers' Marketing Board, Box 70, Tillsonburg, Ontario N4G 4H4. Phone: (519) 842-3661. The Acreage Reduction component terminates on March 31, 1990 of when funds have been committed. Applications must be sub-		
Part 2 — Soil Maintenance Grant	Soil Maintenance Grant — Grants are paid to applicants who plant specified soil-conserving crops.	Soil Maintenance Grant — Applicants must be: (a) residents of Ontario; (b) registered owners of land used in a farming enterprise; and (c) tobacco producers who have transferred basic production quota under Part 1 of this program. The eligible crop years for this component are 1988 and 1989.	mitted for the Soil Maintenance Grant by June 30th of the crop year for which the grant applica- tion is being made.		
ADVISORY SERVICES			7/1		
Farm Family Advisor Program Confidential advice and assistance from a fellow farmer who has been trained to help those facing financial difficulties. The advisor will work through the farmer's operation and provide a report for the farmer outlining possible options, and, if requested, provide assistance in carrying out recommended options.		Farmers experiencing financial difficulty or farmers with concerns about their financial situation can request the services of an advisor. The advisory service is free of charge.	Farmers may request a referral to the Farm Family Advisor Pro- gram at their local OMAF office, lender, or by calling OMAF's toll-free Helpline: 1-800-265- 1511.		
Farmers' Helpline	Around-the-clock information to farm families experiencing financial stress. Professional referrals for farm management advice and professional family and stress counselling.	Toll-free line for farm families experiencing financial difficulties.	To reach one of the trained staff, phone 1-800-265-1511 (toll free). Staff are on duty from 9:00 a.m 5:00 p.m. After hours an answering service ensures all calls are answered promptly.		

TAX REDUCTION PROGRAMS

Ontario Farm Tax Rebate Program Provides rebates of 100% of property taxes to qualified owners of farm land and outbuildings.

(a) Applicant must be a Canadian citizen or permanent resident of Canada. (b) Property must be assessed as farm for the taxation year. (c) Property must be used as part of a farm operation producing, in a normal year, farm products with a gross value of \$5,000 in northern and eastern Ontario and \$8,000 in the rest of Ontario. (d) Applicant must be the registered owner or the mortgagee in possession of the property.

Interim Payment Declaration forms and application forms are mailed directly to farm owners each year. Both forms should be completed and returned to Ministry of Agriculture and Food. Farm Assistance Programs Branch, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, M7A 2B2. The Interim Payment Declaration Form must be returned by July 15th of the program year, and the application form by December 31st of the year following the taxation year for which the rebate applies. Information and questions should be directed, in writing, to the above address, or by telephoning (416) 326-3500.

Gasoline Tax Refund Program

A full refund of tax paid on gasoline that is used in a non-taxable manner is available upon application. Gasoline must be used in a "nontaxable" manner within the business, i.e. used to run unlicensed equipment. Application using Form GT255 must be made within three (3) years from the date of the payment of the tax. Information and forms are available from the Ministry of Revenue, Motor Fuels and Tobacco Tax Branch, 33 King Street West, 3rd Floor, Oshawa, Ontario L1H 8H5, or by calling toll-free from:

- Metro Toronto Oshawa 433-5155
- Area Code (416) -
- 1-800-263-7700
- Area Code (807) -
 - 1-800-263-3792
- All other areas -

1-800-263-3960

Fuel Tax Refund Program

A refund of the tax paid on diesel fuel that is used in a non-taxable manner is available upon application.

Fuel must have been used in a "non-taxable" manner, i.e. to operate unlicensed equipment. Application using Form FT850 must be made within three (3) years from the date of payment of the tax.

Information and forms are available from the Ministry of Revenue, Motor Fuels and Tobacco Tax Branch, 33 King St. W., 3rd Floor, Oshawa, Ontario L1H 8H5, or by calling toll-free from:

• Metro Toronto - 965-8470

- Oshawa 433-5155
 Area Code (416) -
- Area Code (416) -

1-800-263-7700

1-800-263-3960

Fuel Colouration Program

Fuel that is coloured (dyed red) is sold exempt of fuel tax, and may be purchased by consumers for "non-taxable" use (such as to run unlicensed equipment). Coloured fuel must be purchased for tax exempt uses.

Tax exemption is given at point of sale.

Retail Sales Tax Exemptions — General Certain specified items may be purchased tax exempt. These include: farm implements, farm machinery, farm equipment, agricultural products, agricultural inputs and repair parts, but not items such as all-terrain vehicles, cars, trucks, buildings, building materials and household goods.

In some cases, a purchase exemption certificate must be given to the supplier. Items which can be purchased exempt from tax, with or without a certificate are listed in the booklet *Information for Farmers*. General information is presented in Ontario Sales Tax Guides 104, *Purchase Exemption Certificates* and 147, *Farmers: General*.

Information, tax guides and the farmers' booklet are available from the nearest Retail Sales Tax Office. Your local Retail Sales Tax Office is listed in the blue pages of the telephone directory.

PROGRAM	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	CONDITIONS	HOW TO APPLY
Retail Sales Tax Exemption — Irrigation and Drainage Systems	Irrigation and drainage material used to create, maintain or repair farm irrigation or drainage systems are exempt from the payment of tax.	Farmer or contractor provides written statement that all materials, equipment and tile will be used exclusively in the business of farming. The statement must be signed by the person engaged in farming, who will use such materials, equipment or tiles.	Tax exemption is given at the point of sale upon producing the statement referred to unde "Conditions".
Retail Sales Tax Exemption — Grain Storage Bins and Dryers	Purchase of materials or components used to construct grain bins or dryers are exempt from tax. Contractors who erect grain storage bins or grain dryers on behalf of a farmer may also purchase the construction materials exempt of tax.	A Purchase Exemption Certificate must be provided to the supplier. Materials used to construct footings or foundations for structures are not eligible.	Information is available from the nearest Retail Sales Tax Office Your local Retail Sales Tax Office is listed in the blue pages of the telephone directory.
Retail Sales Tax Refund — Building Materials including lumber used to construct farm fences	The tax paid on the purchase of building materials used to construct a farm fence or other tax exempt items, is subject to a refund.	Refund by application. Claims are to be made within three (3) years of purchase.	Consult Ontario Sales Tax Guid 147, Farmers: General. Refund application forms available from the nearest Retail Sales Tax Office. Your local Retail Sales Tax Office is listed in the blut pages of the telephone directory.
CROP PRODUCTION ANI	SOIL CONSERVATION GRAI	NTS	
Ontario Clingstone Peach Tree Planting Assistance Program	Provides a rebate to growers on 50% of the cost of trees (minimum 150 trees) purchased from Ontario nurseries at fair market value. Provides assistance to nursery operators on 50% of the value of unsold clingstone peach trees. Maximum not to exceed the equivalent of 25% of clingstone peach trees sold.	Production value must be \$8,000 or more. Applicants must have a satisfactory planting site, and may own or lease the land. Only clingstone varieties acceptable by Ontario processors will qualify. Nursery operations must produce trees for retail sale and operate under a retail sales licence.	Application forms available from local OMAF offices, or Plant Industry Branch, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Guelph Agriculture Centre, P.O. Box 1030, Guelph N1H 6N1. The termination date is December 31, 1991.
nd Environmental the cost, to a maximum of protection Assistance \$10,000, for eligible erosion control projects associated with soil management, and 40% of the cost to a maximum of \$7,500 for eligible improvements to manure storage systems, milkhouse corpo		Individuals, partnerships and corporations must meet the \$12,000 annual production income requirement. Applicants must be residents of Ontario, and own the land or lease it from the Ontario Government. Owners may lease the land to another farmer.	Information and application forms available from loca OMAF offices. Termination date March 31, 1990, or until funds are committed.
Land Stewardship Program	Grants are available to encourage	Applicants must be residents of	Applicants must complete an

Grants are available to encourage diversification from row crop production, longer-term crop rotation, reforestation, and retirement of fragile lands. Grants are also available for conservation structures, establishing buffer strips, planting windbreaks, maintaining good crop cover or residues after planting, and renting, modifying or purchasing residue management equipment and training of personnel for crop residue management.

Applicants must be residents of Ontario and have a gross farm income of at least \$12,000. If gross farm income is less than \$12,000, on-farm income must exceed off-farm income unless unusual circumstances apply (e.g. a barn fire). Either owners or tenants may apply for benefits under the program, but not both.

Applicants must complete an acceptable Land Stewardship Inventory and Action Plan detailing past and planned management practices that indicate a stewardship approach to farming. Application forms are available from local OMAF offices and the Ontario Soil and Crop Improvement Association (OSCIA). Program terminates on August 31, 1990.

PROGRAM	TYPE OF ASSISTANCE	CONDITIONS	HOW TO APPLY		
Ontario Crop Introduction and Expansion Program	Funding of up to two-thirds of the total cost of a project for the development of expanded commercial crop opportunities to a maximum of \$100,000 per year. Eligible project costs for the program include: additional labor costs, materials, equipment rentals, overhead costs to a maximum of 20% of direct costs, and other costs such as travel and computing.	Organizations are eligible to apply for the program if they: (a) are resident in Ontario; (b) demonstrate the ability to conduct and evaluate the development of a crop; and (c) possess satisfactory financial and management resources to successfully complete the project.	Applicants must first file an application form which is available from local OMAF offices. Applications are reviewed three times a year and must be submitted prior to July 1, November 15, and March 1. Further information may be obtained from the Transition Crop Team, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Box 587, Simcoe, Ontario N3Y 4N5; Phone: (519) 426-7120. Program terminates on March 31, 1990. No further applications will be accepted once the funds are committed for the program year.		
PRODUCTIVITY IMPRO	VEMENT ASSISTANCE				
Ontario Red Meat Development Plan 1984 Grants to encourage the implementation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Program components include: performance recording, use of qualified sires, improvements to capital facilities, herd health, feed testing and ration formulation and enterprise analysis. To be eliginate have their pontation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Program components include: garming occupation in writing. To be eliginate have their pontation and ease land of the large production of beef and lamb. Program components include: garming occupation in writing. To be eliginate have their pontation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation in writing. To be eliginate have their pontation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation in writing. Grants to encourage the implementation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation in writing. Grants to encourage the implementation of management practices that will improve the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation of the production of the production of beef and lamb. Frogram components include: garming occupation occup		To be eligible, producers must have their principal residence in Ontario and must own land or lease land on which beef or sheep farming occurs. Lessees are eligible if the land is leased for beef or sheep farming; the lease must be in writing. Additional conditions must be met for each of the cowcalf, stocker/slaughter cattle and sheep development plans.	Contact the local OMAF office for enrolment forms and additional information. After your enrolment forms are processed, you will receive an enrolment number and the appropriate forms for the parts of the program that you have selected.		
Ontario Pork Industry Improvement Plan (OPIIP)	Grants to encourage improve- ments in the production and	To be eligible, producers must have their principal residence in	Enrolment forms are available from local OMAF offices or		

Ontario and must own land or

lease land. Lessees are eligible if

the land is leased for pork pro-

duction, and the lease must be in

writing. The producer must have

at least 20 sow equivalents. One sow equivalent is equal to one sow or 15 market weight hogs

Individuals, partnerships and

corporations owning land used

for agricultural purposes can

apply. The loan will be a percent-

age of the total cost up to a maximum. The interest rate, percentage loan may vary from

marketed annually.

year to year.

Ministry of Agriculture and

Food, Red Meat Administration

Centre, P.O. Box 1030, Guelph,

Ontario N1H 6N1; Phone: (519)

Application forms must be filed

with municipal clerks before

starting work. Contact your local

municipal office for further

836-3560.

information.

financial management areas of

individual pork operations.

Areas being stressed include:

record keeping, enterprise analysis, improvement to capital facili-

ties, breeding, and herd health.

Provides low interest loans to

farmers installing tile drainage.

Tile Drainage Act

CAPITAL EXPENDITURE GRANTS

Fruit and Vegetable Quality Improvement Program

Grant provided to fresh fruit and vegetable growers, packers and storage operators of 40% of the total cost (maximum of \$50,000) of storage, cooling and controlled atmosphere equipment.

Minimum gross farm income of \$10,000 or an equivalent amount from the commercial packing or storage of Ontario-grown fruit and vegetables; applicant must be a resident of Ontario, own the land and must not be receiving a grant for the project under any other provincial or federal government program. Approval of a project is required prior to placing of an order for equipment. Minimum project is \$3,000.

Proposal forms available from local OMAF offices. Termination date is March 31, 1989, or when funds are fully committed in program's final year.

Ontario Seasonal Housing Assistance Program

Provides grant of 50% of the cost of construction or renovation of seasonal housing up to a maximum of \$10,000 per farmer or \$1,000 per worker housed, whichever is less.

Producers of field and greenhouse grown vegetables, small and tree fruits and tobacco are eligible. Gross income of \$12,000 or more; applicants must be residents of Ontario; the housing is to be used solely for farm workers; and the housing must be approved by the Medical Officer of Health and must meet all municipal by-laws.

Applications are available from local OMAF offices. The deadline for acceptance of applications is March 31, 1989.

FARM INCOME PROTECTION PLANS

Canada — Ontario Crop Insurance Program Provides weather risk insurance on 50 crops based on individual average farm yields. This is a joint federal and provincial program. The federal government and farmers each pay 50% of the premium. The provincial government pays the cost of administering the program.

Coverage is limited to 80% of average farm yields. New growers are underwritten on area averages. The entire acreage of a crop must be insured. There are deadlines for applications.

Through local agents or the Crop Insurance Commission of Ontario, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1B7; Phone: (416) 326-3276.

Ontario Farm Income Stabilization When market prices are low, the program assists Ontario farmers in the production of named products to 95% of the last 5-year average price plus adjustment for cash cost changes from 5-year average to current year. Products for 1988 — corn, soybeans, barley, winter wheat, canola, oats and potatoes.

Voluntary participation by farmers with contributions of \$2 from Ontario government for every \$1 from the farmer. Operated by a Commission which determines eligibility, fees and regulations for each product stabilized.

Information available from local OMAF offices, or Farm Income Stabilization Commission, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, Ontario M7A 1B7; Phone: (416) 326-3276.

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CAPITAL EXPENDITUR Fruit and Vogetable Quality Improvement Program	Grant provided to fresh fruit and vegetable growers, packers and storage operators of 40% of the total cost (maximum of \$50,000) of storage, cooling and con-	Minimum gross farm income of \$10,000 or an equivalent amount from the commercial packing or storage of Ontario-grown fruit and vegetables; applicant must	local OMAF offices. Termina- tion date is March 31, 1989, or when funds are fully committed	Tripartite Stabilization	meat and bean (white and col- oured) producers during periods of low market prices. The plan supports cow-calf and lamb pro- ducers to a percentage of the		OMAF offices, or Farm Income Stabilization Commission, Ontario Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, Ontario MTA 1B7; Phone: (46) 326-3276.		To compensate owners of live- stock or of a designated class of property that is believed to have been killed, injured or damaged by a hunter. Maximum accord- ing to schedule of the Act.	Owner must complete applica- tion on Form 1: Retain evidence as required.	
	troused atmosphere equipment.	be a sesident of Omiario, own the hand and must not be receiving a grant for the project under any other provincial or federal gov- errment peogram. Approval of a project is required prior to plac- ing of an order for equipment. Minimum project is \$3,000.	a V		age market price for the pecced- ing 10 year period. Beef of simplifier/feeder and hog pro- ducer support prices use equal to the estimated malional current cash corts of production in the quarter gives a percentage of the			Rables Indemnification Program	ance paid to owners for animals that die as a result of rabies, according to maximums set out in the Rabies Indemnification	ian, upon death of animal, for an investigation and evaluation to be carried out. Veterinarian applies to Agriculture Canada	ada Office, or call (416) 326-3476 for information.
Ontario Seasona Hoesling Assistance Program	of construction or renovation of teatonal housing up to a maxi- mum of \$10,000 per farmer or \$1,000 per worker housed, whichever is less.	house grown vegetables, small	time for acceptance of applica- tions is March 31, 1989.	•	margin (difference between cash coasts and manional swerage mar- bet prices in the same quarter for the preceding 5 years). Bean (white or coloredly support is equal to face cash costs of produc- tion in the current year port a preceding of the average magin in the preceding 7 years. Applied are covered to a preceding 8 years are covered to a preceding of years are priced for the preceding 7 years.			Sales Assistance Policy	To promote the distribution within Ontario of particular live- stock of superior quality by means of grants to Breeders' clubs. Dairy Beef — 55 per animal sold, to a maximum of \$250 per sale. Sheep — \$1 per animal sold, to a maximum of \$100 per sale: Swine — \$2.50 per animal sold, to a maximum of \$100 per sale: Swine — \$2.50 per animal sold, to a maximum of \$100 per sold, to a maximum of \$100 per sold.	of a particular breed or breeds in a defined area, must be approved	Farm Assistance Programs
FARM INCOME PROTEC				COMPRESENTION					sale.		
Canada — Ontailo Crop Insurance Program	on 50 crops based on individual average form yields. This is a joint federal and provincial pro-	average farm yields. New growers are underwritten en area aver- ages. The entire arreage of a coop- mast be insured. There are dead- lines for applications.	of Through Iscal agents or the Crop Insurance Commission of Oniario, Ostatrio Minestry of Agriculture and Food, Legisla- the Buildings, Toronto, Ondario MTA 187; Phone: (416) 326- 3276.		Stock and Poultry killed or injured by a dog, coyote Protection Act or wolf, the municipality is liable to the owner for the amount of damage incurred, in accordance with maximum amounts of out	o Owner must consplete and file an affidasts within 10 days of value et 2 report. Owner must take reasonable care to prevent killing or injury, and should retain carcass as required. Must dispose of carcass according to Dead Animal.	from cirrk of the local nunicipal- ity. For additional information, contact. Farm Assistance Pro- grams Branch, Ministry of Agri- culture and Food. Legislative	Assistance Program	To assist purebred livestock asso- cistions in assisting members to defray express incurred when shipping, livestock exhibits to shows or exhibitions outside Ontario, 50% of transportation charges, 50% of prize money.	tion selected and will enhance the reputation of the province of Ontario. The exhibit must recog- nize association and provincial	tional signs available through local OMAF offices, or Furm Assistance Programs Branch.
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ley, winter wheat; caselts, our and postures.	ity, winter wheat, canota, onto	of wheth careta, son		Damage to Honey Bee Colonies by Bears	bees and equipment that are		through local OMAF offices or	Special Livestock Shows Assistance Program 1979 (Commercial)	Purpose of program is to encour- age the improvement of livestock breeds raised for commercial purposes. Grants of 25% of prize money for breeding stock (to a maximum of \$500) are paid	show must publish a comprehen- sive prize list. Grants are restricted to one provincial show, and such regional shows as may be approved by the Livestock	through local OMAF offices, or Farm Assistance Programs Branch, Ministry of Agriculture and Food, Legislative Buildings, Toronto, Ontario M7A 2B2;
				Bear Damage to Live Stor Compensation Program	im killed or injured by a bear, the	Owner must notify the local Agricultural Representative and provide a signed written state-	Application forms available through local OMAF offices.		directly to breed associations Com that sponsor special shows of cuttle, swine, sheep and goats.	lommissioner each year.	Phone: (416) 326-3476.
					pay a grant to compensate for the amount of darrage, according to the schedule in the Order-in- Connecti.	ment stating the believed cause of the loss or injury to be a bear.		Livestock Transportation Assistance Program	Joint program of the federal and provincial governments. Pro- vides freight assistance for inve- stock exhibits shipped to Agribition and back. Rates may vary accusally.	Agribition and be shown. Sup- porting material required with	through local OMAF offices, or

PROGRAM	PROGRAM TYPE OF ASSISTANCE CONDITIONS		HOW TO APPLY	
PROGRAMS APPLICABL	E TO NORTHERN ONTARIO			
Artificial Insemination of Livestock Act	Grants are paid to various North- ern Ontario inseminating units of up to \$4 for each own artifi- cially inseminated, in order to promote the use of artificial insemination and to make artifi- cial insemination service resulta- ble at a cost similar to that charged in Southern Ontario.	Insemination Associations must apply for grant directly to Live- stock Commissioner, attaching a certified statement.	Application forms avail through local OMAF office Farm Assistance Progr Branch, Ministry of Agricu and Food, Legislative Build Toronto, Omlario MPA 2 Phone: (416) 326-3476.	
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Northern Ontario Agricultural Development Programs (Muskoka-Parry Sound and all districts north)	Policy revision is annual by local committees. Assistance (varies among districts) may provide incentives for technology adop- tion, seed, fertilizer, listestone and pest control.	Must be a resident of that partic- ular district and meet the local committee's qualifying condi- tions.	Program outline and applicate forms are available from lo OMAF offices.	
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